

**Park Meadows School Council – Feb 15, 2022 Minutes**  
**Meeting held via TEAMS @ 6:30 pm**

Link to the meeting:

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**Attendance:**

Amy Dudley, Ashley Lynch, Caylee Rothe, Heather Farough, Linda McKeith, Sharon Willms-Laing, Phi Jang, Taylor Bourassa, Teri Smith

**Welcome – start @ 6:31pm**

a. Additions / Changes to Agenda – None.

Acceptance of Agenda – Caylee motioned & Heather second

b. Approval of Minutes from January 18, 2022 Meeting – Caylee motioned & Linda seconded

**1. School Events and News – provided by Teri & Taylor**

Past events

- Rapid test kits have been sent home
- Shipment of masks have arrived & supplies were sent home. The school still has surplus at school.
- Independence assembly – Feb 11 via teams / upcoming assembly is kindness
- Magic show occurred on Feb 15 where it was performed in school with cohorts
- Valentines Day

Upcoming events and news

- Feb 16 - Pink Shirt Day
- Feb 18 – Olympic day
- Feb 21-25 - No school for students
- Feb 24-25 - Teacher's Convention occurring via online

Presentation on grade configuration for the new year (Staff Looping) – Presented by Teri

- In discussion with Teachers it was found Teachers' goals / desires for the school are:

- increase school spirit;
- create a sense of community;
- increase parental engagement;
- flexible schedule;
- high expectations for learning & fun

- In the school for grades 2-5, there are 2 classes of each grade, with 1 split class of 2/3 and 4/5.
- What occurs with Staff Looping, is each year, the teacher moves between classes. For example, in 2022 teacher A teaches grade 2, then in 2023 teacher A would teach grade 3, then in 2024 teach grade 2/3.
- Benefits of looping – Teachers have a stronger support network; they can see kids grow over a 2-year period; etc.
- Obstacles: Not all teachers have taught both grades; would need to balance student needs & group of students; etc.
- Teri will be sending out a survey to all staff & parents.
- Kindergarten & grade 1 are not being considered in this Looping structure, without teacher's expressed interest.

## 2. **Other Business to discuss**

Can we do more theme days? Maybe monthly? Like twin day, crazy hair day

- Considering once a month can be tied into spirit – career day, hat day, etc
- An email will be sent to staff for interest

Hot Lunch

- Waiting for confirmation that it is possible in March with restrictions.
- Lisa (Admin Assistant) is away and finances cannot be organized at this time. Training will be needed & in place before Hot Lunch can be arranged.
- Matter tabled for next meeting

Some parents have mentioned they would love to do another market day, could be done in the spring, depending on Covid restrictions. This would bring in a little extra funds for the foundation. No decision needs to be made now, just keep it in the back of your mind. Or other fundraising ideas like kernels popcorn?

- Depends on restrictions & staffing.
- Caylee will gather some information regarding Kernels Popcorn.
- Matter tabled for next meeting

## 3. **District Council Representative Report** – not available

## 4. **Treasure report** – not available

Tabled for next meeting - Update if final balance from BMO getting transferred

## 5. **Next Meeting** – March 15, 2022

## 6. **Adjourn @ 7:26pm**

**Upcoming Events:**

March:

- 4 Staff Mtg
- 11 Report Card 2 - Gr 1-5 – Power-school will open for report card 2
- 10 Admin PL
- 15 School Council at 6:30pm
- 16 Celebration of Learning at 6:30pm
- 16-17 No Kindergarten students – Kindergarten P/T Interviews
- 17 No School in pm, dismissal at 11:45am / P/T Interviews
- 18 No School – Engagement/ PL24 - Admin Mtg
- 25 Grade 1-5 F&P due